

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A fishing reel screw operation structure that is adapted to be attached to a reel unit of a fishing reel, comprising:

a screw-in portion adapted to be mounted to the reel unit, said screw-in portion having an outer threaded portion and a tubular portion that is integrally formed with said outer threaded portion; and

a cylindrical screw member mounted to said outer threaded portion between said tubular portion and the reel unit and having an inner threaded portion on its inner peripheral surface, said inner threaded portion being configured to be screwed onto said outer threaded portion of said screw-in portion;

said tubular portion of said screw-in portion having a diameter that is larger than an inner diameter of said inner threaded portion of said screw member.

2. (Original) The fishing reel screw operation structure set forth in claim 1, further comprising

an operation member that is non-rotatably mounted to an outer peripheral surface of said screw member.

3. (Original) The fishing reel screw operation structure set forth in claim 2, wherein

an outer diameter of said screw member is larger than an outer diameter of said tubular portion.

4. (Currently Amended) The fishing reel screw operation structure set forth in claim 2, wherein:

a projection projecting in a radial direction is formed on the ~~an~~ outer peripheral surface of said screw member; and

said operation member includes a recessed portion formed on its inner peripheral surface, such that said recessed portion engages with said projection of said screw member, and said operation member rotates together with said screw member.

5. (Original) The fishing reel screw operation structure set forth in claim 2, wherein

said operation member is integrally formed with said screw member, said operation member having a lever that projects in a radial direction from the outer peripheral surface of said screw member.

6. (Original) The fishing reel screw operation structure set forth in claim 2, wherein

said operational member is a closed-end cylindrical member.

7. (Previously Presented) The fishing reel screw operation structure set forth in claim 2, wherein:

said screw-in portion is configured to be mounted so as to project toward a rear portion of the reel unit of the fishing reel; and

said operation member is an operation knob for a rear drag mechanism of the fishing reel.

8. (Original) The fishing reel screw operation structure set forth in claim 2, wherein:

said screw-in portion is configured to be mounted so as to project toward a side portion of a reel unit of a dual bearing reel; and

said operation member is an operation knob for a casting control mechanism of the dual bearing reel.

9. (Currently Amended) A spinning reel, comprising:

a reel unit having a handle;

a rotor rotatively supported on a front of said reel unit;

a spool disposed on a front of said rotor so as to be movable ~~reciprocal~~ in front and rear directions along a spool shaft, fishing line being adapted to be wound around said spool; and

a screw operation structure disposed within said reel unit and including

a screw-in portion mounted to ~~within~~ said reel unit, said screw-in portion having an outer threaded portion and a tubular portion that is integrally formed with said outer threaded portion; and

a cylindrical screw member mounted to said outer threaded portion between said tubular portion and said reel unit and having an inner threaded portion on its inner peripheral surface, said inner threaded portion being screwed onto said outer threaded portion of said screw-in portion;

said tubular portion of said screw-in portion having a diameter that is larger than an inner diameter of said inner threaded portion of said screw member.

10. (Original) The spinning reel set forth in claim 9, further comprising an operation member that is non-rotatably mounted to an outer peripheral surface of said screw member.

11. (Original) The spinning reel set forth in claim 10, wherein an outer diameter of said screw member is larger than an outer diameter of said tubular portion.

12. (Currently Amended) The spinning reel set forth in claim 10, wherein: a projection projecting in a radial direction is formed on the ~~the~~ outer peripheral surface of said screw member; and

said operation member includes a recessed portion formed on its inner peripheral surface, such that said recessed portion engages with said projection of said screw member, and said operation member rotates together with said screw member.

13. (Original) The spinning reel set forth in claim 10, wherein

said operation member is integrally formed with said screw member, said operation member having a lever that projects in a radial direction from the outer peripheral surface of said screw member.

14. (Original) The spinning reel set forth in claim 10, wherein said operational member is a closed-end cylindrical member.

15. (Original) The spinning reel set forth in claim 10, further comprising a cylindrical bush having a flange portion and being inserted over an outer periphery of said spool shaft; and
friction plates disposed on both sides of said flange portion of said bush;
said screw-in portion being mounted so as to project toward a rear portion of said reel unit; and
said operation member being configured to make said friction plates come into contact with each other.

16. (Currently Amended) The spinning reel set forth in claim 15, further comprising a coil spring disposed on the [[an]] outer periphery of said spool shaft for urging said friction plates; [[,]] and
a pushing portion that is integrally formed with said operation member and is linked with said coil spring, such that said coil spring is pressed when said operation member is operated.